

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

SUBJECT: Supplement to AN No. 500 (1945)
Agreement Between the Agricultural
Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS)
and the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA)

TO: All State Directors, District Directors,
County Supervisors and Director, National
Finance Office

This AN supplements FmHA AN No. 500 (1945) sent by electronic mail to all State Directors and the Director of the National Finance Office on February 20, 1981, with instructions to duplicate by State Offices for immediate distribution to all County and District offices.

You (State Directors) are instructed to distribute this AN in the same manner, since it is the fastest means of getting the information to the County and District Offices.

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service has instructed its State, District and County Office personnel to cooperate fully with FmHA to the maximum extent possible without jeopardizing its own program operations, until FmHA's EM loan backlogs are eliminated.

It is intended that this cooperative effort be handled at the County Office level of the two Agencies. Therefore, when an FmHA County Supervisor determines he/she could utilize additional help in an efficient and effective manner to process EM loan applications, a written request should be made to the local ASCS County Executive Director (CED) specifying the type of help needed; i.e., professional and/or clerical.

The ASCS-CEDs, in Consultation with their District Directors and County Committees, will detail those ASCS employees who can best fill the FmHA need and can be relieved of their regular ASCS responsibilities on a temporary basis.

Although there is presently no agreement to compensate ASCS for work performed by their employees for FmHA, FmHA County Supervisors will keep a daily record of all time and official travel performed by ASCS employees detailed to FmHA. Upon completion of each ASCS employee's detail, County Supervisors will submit a copy of the record of time and travel to their Administrative Officer.

The FmHA County Supervisors are expected to provide detailed ASCS employees the necessary orientation to best utilize their skills. However, it is not expected that extensive training will be provided to the ASCS employees.

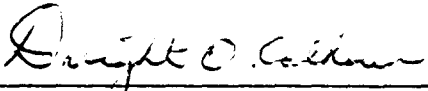
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It is recognized that in some instances FmHA County Offices which have the heaviest EM loan activity are also counties in which ASCS has its heaviest activity. It is for that reason the greatest benefits of the ASCS-FmHA agreement will be achieved only when there is optimum mutual cooperation at the county office level.

This AN is exempt from the Presidential freeze on regulations.



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Please acknowledge No-FP2.

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National Finance Office on 2/25/81 at 1:12.